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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Customer No. 2 1 8 3 9

Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of <u>Jacques AUCLAIR</u>

for **SHAPING AND LAYING A TIRE BELT PLY**.

- [] Applicant(s) hereby requests that the above-captioned application NOT BE PUBLISHED under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.
- [\(\)] Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure 5 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.
- [V] Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information: MICHELIN RECHERCHE ET TECHNIQUE S.A., Granges-Paccot, Switzerland.

Also enclosed are:

- [√] <u>Eight</u> sheet(s) of drawings;
- [] a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is [] hereby made to Patent Application Serial No. 03/01863 filed in France on February 13, 2003;

 $\lceil \checkmark \rceil$ in the declaration;

[√]	a certified copy of the priority document;
[]	a General Authorization for Petitions for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees

[] an Assignment document;[/] an Information Disclosure Statement;

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[] Other: _____

[√]	An [] executed	[√]	unexecuted	dec	laration	of	the	invent	or(s)

[√] also is enclosed [] will follow.

[] Small entity status is hereby claimed.

[\(\) The filing fee has been calculated as follows [] and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

CLAIMS								
	No. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE			
Basic Application Fee	Basic Application Fee							
Total Claims 23 MINUS 20 = 3 × \$18.00 (1202) =								
Independent Claims								
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$290.00 (1203)								
Total Application Fee 824					824.00			
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee								
Add Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) if Assignment document is enclosed								
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE 824.0								

[]	This application is being filed without a filing fee.	Issuance of a Notice to File Missing
	Parts of Application is respectfully requested.	

- [$\sqrt{}$] A check in the amount of \$ 824.00 is enclosed for the fee due.
- [] Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
- [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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